



MEETING NOTES: June 16, 2021

Call to Order: Our first meeting back at Hillside clubhouse. 17 present and 5 on Zoom. It was wonderful to be back together. Il Pavone will resume catering on July 14th. In the meantime, bring a sandwich or salad for yourself. President Steve rang the bell, Hogey led us in the pledge, and we watched a video of the Star-Spangled Banner.

Sunshine: none reported

Thought for the Day: Thought of the Day was provided by President Steve who shared a quote from Vince Lombardi.

Happy Dollars: Patrice J. was happy because she and Tom celebrated their 31st anniversary. David B. was happy that his friend Marleen M. was back in person. John K. was happy about the family reunion with his 94-year-old mother, and that everyone has now left. Ruth R was happy. Jim O was happy about Merilee's delicious chocolate chip cookies.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rossmoor Rotary Foundation's board directors for the 2021-22 year were announced by John King, chairperson. The standard term of office for directors is three years. However, some are replacing directors who have resigned so their term is shorter. The new directors are Joy Alaidarous 2021-24, Sharon Loong 2021-24, James Olsen 2021-24, Ruth Reeves, 2021-23, Patrice Jensen 2021-22, and John Rice. John K is remaining as chair, Paul Wilson is remaining as secretary, And John R is treasurer with Sharon Long learning the role.

July 3rd Awards and Demotion will be at Il Pavone starting at 11:30. The cost is \$25.00 each. We will have pizza, salad, and their house made bread pudding. There will be a no host bar. David Brown has donated \$100 for a raffle for those who come. So, if you needed any additional incentive do plan on coming. Who knows? You might be the lucky winner. We are going with a 4th of July theme so wear red, white and or blue. Spouses and partners are welcome. Call Joy A. 925-954-1002 or email her jalaidarous@gmail.com to make your reservation.

Guests: Joy A. introduced her new neighbor Barbara K. who is interested in Rotary.

PROGRAM



Our own Nancy Richardson spoke to us about Intellectual Properties, Patent Law, and related matters. Nancy has a background in chemistry but also became a Patent Agent. She is not an attorney and cannot represent a client in court, but she can be an expert witness. We have had Patent Laws in this country since 1790.

There are copyrights which expire 70 years after the person's death. There are Design Patents such as the Coke bottle. These need to be renewed every 4 years. There are plant patents for plants that are sexually reproduced such as trees and vine. Roses are an example. Then there are the non-sexually reproduced plants such as tulips and onions.

To obtain a patent one must fairly disclose, provide a description, how to use, how to make, why it is useful, why it is unique. One then makes a claim and files. It is either accepted or rejected. A paper clip was rejected, but the machine to make them was accepted.

CALENDAR

June 23	Dale Martin - LivHOME
July 3	Awards Ceremony/Demotion II Pavone Restaurant
July 7	Mildred McKinney Opengate, Inc.